

State Route 77:

Tangerine Road to the Pinal County Line Widening and Improvement Project

FACT SHEET

The Arizona Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration are working together to improve traffic flow and enhance safety on State Route 77 (Oracle Road) for the community and traveling public.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The purpose of this project is to widen the roadway to improve traffic flow and enhance safety on the heavily traveled segment of Oracle Road from Tangerine Road to the Pinal County Line. The widening of Oracle Road from two lanes to three lanes in each direction will tie into the recently completed section of the highway from Calle Concordia to Tangerine Road.

The proposed improvements include:

- An additional 12-foot-wide travel lane and a 10-foot-wide shoulder in each direction for a total of six travel lanes through the project
- New right-turn lanes at some locations
- Raised center medians and left-turn lanes through the project area
- Retaining walls (if required)
- Noise walls (if required)
- Traffic signal improvements
- Drainage improvements
- Pedestrian pathway improvements on the east side of Oracle Road from Wilds Road to Golder Ranch Road
- Three wildlife crossing structures to allow wildlife to migrate safely between the Santa Catalina and Tortolita mountains, without crossing the roadway at street level. The crossing structures are made possible through the Regional Transportation Authority and are planned to coincide with the ADOT widening project for Oracle Road in the southern segment of this project.

The study phase for this project began in 2004, and public meetings were held on June 28, 2005, and January 27, 2009. Input from these meetings and other contact was used in the development of the design concept report and environmental assessment documents.

Public comments are an important part of the project and are welcome at any time for review and consideration.

For additional information, or to submit comments in writing, please contact Sr. Community Relations Officer Linda Ritter at 520-388-4266, Iritter@azdot.gov or by mail at 1221 S. 2nd Ave., Mail Drop T100, Tucson, AZ 85713, or the ADOT Outreach Team at 520-327-6077, Ext. 107, melissa@gordleydesign.com or by mail at 2540 N. Tucson Blvd., Tucson, AZ 85716.

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